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Affections of the Liver, Biliary, Neural

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The proofs of its efficacy are so numerous, as well

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Fraser River Sands.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 1 AND NO. 3 BEACONS (NORTH

AND SOUTH SAND HEADS) have been set up

during the late heavy tide.

JAMES COOPER,

Dec. 16th, 1864.

Harbor Master.

NOTICE

Real Estate Assessment.

ALL PERSONS, OWNERS OF REAL ES-
TATE, AND ELECTORAL DRAFTING, are required

to make a statement in writing according to the

form A hereunto annexed, of what Real Es-
tate they hold and where situated to determine

the amount of tax to be paid thereon, and to

to deliver such statement at the office of the

Assessor of Vancouver Island and the Dependen-

cies on or before the 1st day of February next.

CHARLES G. WYLDE, Assessor.

Assessor's Office,

Victoria, V. I., Jan. 1865.

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Stock & Good-Will of Business,
FOR SALE.

Owner's name _____

Description of Prop-
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Where Located _____

No. of Block _____

Section _____

(Signature of the person making the return)

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FRASER RIVER SANDS.

THE WHITE BEACON RECENTLY

constructed, and distinguished in the sailing

directions as No. 6, has disappeared.

JAMES COOPER, Harbormaster.

Dec. 16th, 1864.

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FRASER RIVER SANDS.

THE LEASE OF THE VICTORIA HOTEL

is now open for bids.

Mr. ALFRED COOPER, Esq., Agent.

Dec. 16th, 1864.

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TO LET.

THE HOUSE OCCUPIED BY

Mr. ALFRED COOPER, Esq., at the North end of

Government Street, is to be let on a

moderate rent.

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Dec. 16th, 1864.

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To Advertisers & the Public.

THE BRITISH COLONIST, published every morning (Sundays excepted), is the official organ of Her Majesty's Procurators on the Island.

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FIGURES AND FANCIES.

Figures of number and figures of speech are generally very delectable companions. While we ourselves forth the curt and stately language of fact, the other dilates with the glowing and diffuse diction of fancy. The numerical figure, therefore, is an inveterate foe to the imagination: it knows hyperbole down with one hand and behavior synonymous with the other. It is a graft and obstinate being, but with all its disagreeable exterior is nevertheless kind. It is a quiet, silent, silent, counselor, but never evil, and is therefore man's true friend. It goes arm in arm with prudence, takes science by the hand, and gives it a view of nature—of the magnitude and sublimity of creation—for beyond poor fancy's scope. It is the sure guide of the statesman, and the best counsel is accepted; indifference is lost at a distance, and bankruptcy shut out from the doors of men. Let it advise however be spurned, and the greatest genius will have no nation from ruin, nor the greatest wealth a man from insolvency. Vancouver Island unfortunately has been too long deprived of its astuteness. The people have ten fold of the more gaudily-dressed rival—Fancy—with its foolish tricks and hopeless assurance, and all those who have thus shunned the main road and sober path, are now crowding the distasteful harvest of their wild oats.

We have been carried away so much by Fancy's grandiloquence that we have never given ourselves the trouble to examine carefully the probability of its predictions. One class has proposed the theory that all we had to do to become wealthy and prosperous was to allow every description of goods to come to us free of customs' duty, and a large portion of the remaining population have been content to accept it in blind confidence.

The expectation has not, however, been realized, and the first outward glance at our actual condition threatens seriously to destroy the theory. With all this there is nevertheless a sanguine feeling amongst some, and an abiding faith in the doctrine, like the Vancouver Times, they insist that it is progressing bravely and bearing good fruit. "Free trade," says the paper just mentioned, "is gradually doing its work by raising an export trade, and the inhabitants of the Island are making some progress towards supplying themselves with those articles which they formerly depended entirely on their American neighbors to supply." So goes Fancy's teaching.

Let us admit sober fact, and what does it inform us? Why that our imports of provisions generally are on the increase, and that the "export trade" is on the decrease.

These are no doubt startling results to the fond believers in our present policy—results, from their free port intoxication, they never dreamt of, and of which we doubt they would indignantly repudiate had we not the figures at our elbow to back them up. In the last half of the year 1863—(the first half could not be obtained)—our exports of imported goods amounted to \$191,959; by doubling this to give the year we have \$333,918. Now the total exports of the same class of goods for last year were only \$235,850, showing a decrease of \$96,048, or over 25 per cent. If one export trade is regulated, as some of our political economists assert, by the free port, and we have certainly a most unfortunate illustration of its beauties.

Our contemporary is, however, less erroneous in his ideas that the imports of provisions are decreasing. In 1863, we imported bacon, barley, beef, butter, cattle, eggs, flour, ham, hog, oats, pork, sheep and wheat, the value of \$427,316; while during last year the same class of imports amounted to \$652,926, showing the enormous increase in one year of \$145,590, or about 20 per cent. Now what is the solution of this state of affairs? Will our economists point to the disappointment in Cariboo, the American war, or Moller, the murderer? It is simply folly to evade the real cause. We have no industrial elements in the country.

To say that the people are grubbing at the present policy, through caprice, and because they feel disappointed at the business results of the present year, is perfectly gratuitous. No person blames the free port, for any mining reaction, but every person who understands even the rudiments of political economy, blames the present system for preventing the country continuing, without material injury, any mining revenue. Our commercial policy has so retarded the development of the general resources of the country that in the case of the one great source—the gold mining—giving way, we have nothing to fall back upon. On the other hand, it has utterly failed in the object for which it was started—that of extending our commerce. This is so evident that he who reads may read." There is no use covering the country's defects, and imagining ourselves on the fair road to prosperity. There has been already too much of this狂妄的 exaggeration. What we want is to get at the root of our evils, or any other political dogma, to pluck it out. We care not whether America progressed with a heavy tariff or England progressed with free trade—or King Dabomby by sacrificing his subjects—what we desire is to inaugurate a policy that will make lumber profitable, that will bring into being ten coal mines, where there is now but one, that will draw capital to the country for the development of our copper and other minerals that will make our fisheries what they ought to be, sources of enormous wealth, and lastly but not least, that will induce a sufficient settlement on the public lands to provision the whole population. The class of men who at present favor their interests bound up in the free port would be the very persons to keep the greatest benefit by the change. The merchants would find their business augmented beyond their warmest hopes—protection would look to the colony, fluctuations in trade would decrease, money would be more plentiful, and the commerce and business of the country would be placed on a permanent basis. Many persons, however, have gilded policies can make this stirring but desirable metamorphosis with the present machinery for collecting revenue, we shall

be the most ardent advocates for its continuance. If it cannot be done, we shall persist in advocating union, or taxation on all such articles as are imported by us from the American territory, and which can be produced on the Island—until at least such time as we shall be able to obtain reciprocity. In the meanwhile, we would again urge upon every thinking man to bring all his influence to bear upon the members of the Government, and by moral and intellectual pressure force them into an enlightened policy that will place the colony in a position more sought after by the emigrant, and more preferable to the inhabitants.

CALLING ON MERCULIES—DEVELOP OUR RESOURCES.

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COMMERCIAL.

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ADMIRAL VICTORIA MARKETS.

Business during the past week has continued to be depressed, with no prospect of a speedy improvement.

The Imports for the week have been the cargo of the brig Kentucky, from San Francisco, valued at \$20,000, and the usual arrivals of stock and produce from Puget Sound for city consumption.

The income for the last month were to the amount of \$201,182 of which \$77,000 were from England, \$61,325 from San Francisco, \$14,473 from Portland and \$36,200 from Puget Sound.

The Exports for the month were only \$21,744, of which \$16,000 were sent by the Hudson Bay Company to Calville for the Kootenay mines.

FOUR AND GRAIN.—The dullness of trade still continues and prices are about the same as at last report. Blox, Wheat and Rye are scarce. Jobbing rates are as follows:

FLOUR—\$12.50 per cwt.; Baking, \$14.00.

BRAIN—\$2.00 per lb.

WHEAT—\$4.50 per bushel.

DAISY—\$1.00 per bushel.

MIDDLE—\$1.00 per bushel.

HAY STEAV—\$2.00 per cwt.

WHITE BEANS—\$3.00 per cwt.

CORN MEAL—\$1.00 per bushel.

CAKES—\$1.00 per cwt.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—\$10.00 per cwt.

SUGAR—Raw—\$1.00 per cwt.; Refined, \$1.25 per cwt.

COFFEE—\$2.00 per cwt.

CANDLES—\$1.00 per cwt.

BUTTER—Best—40c per lb.; Yer; average, 35c per lb.

BACON—\$1.50 per lb.

HAMS—Bacone de in moderate quantities.

GOODS ON THE WAY.

PRIMUS PERFORMANCE.

The following financial statement of the position of the Female Infirmary was prepared for the purpose of being read in the theatre last Friday night.

Prizes of property \$1,200
Contract for building 2,500

Paid on account of the property 5,600

Do building 1,200

Funds in hand of Treas. 400

Leaving a sum of 5,485

to be raised before the institution is free. The sum of \$1,000 is due to Mrs. Harris and the ladies of the Association amounted to the sum of 500

Government Grants 1,000

Leaving a sum of 3,200

There is still a small amount collected by the ladies to be accounted for.

It is expected the building will be completed this month, and to meet the balance due under the contract a sum of \$1,280 will be required to be raised.

The balance of the property is payable in September next, less \$100 promised as a contribution by Mr. Pidwell.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN SAN FRANCISCO.—The Public School system of San Francisco has, during the last few years, been very improved, and judging from the accounts which occasionally appear in the local newspapers, it will now compare favorably with those of the most advanced Eastern and European States. A great deal of money has been expended in building up the system, and the people, to their credit, seem not to grumble at the cost so long as efficiency is secured. From an interesting article in the "Youth's Companion," a new and well conducted little family journal, the first number of which recently came to my hands, I learn that the first public school was opened in San Francisco in 1848. At the present there are no fewer than thirty-three public schools in the city, divided as follows: Two high schools, three grammar schools, one normal school, one model school, seven common schools, twelve primary schools, and one Chinese school. These schools employ one hundred and two teachers, of whom only eighteen, however, are males, and eighty-four females,—a disproportion which perhaps does not exist to any like extent in any school system in the world. The average daily attendance in these schools is between six and seven thousand, and the average charge to each teacher of sixty-five dollars a month, making a total annual expense of about \$1,000 per teacher.

TOYS! TOYS!!

IMPORTANT NEWS.

Mr. S. ZINN

TAKES PLEASURE IN INFORMING

THE INHABITANTS OF VICTORIA that he is constantly receiving, direct from New York, San Francisco, and our own Europe, a large quantity

and well selected stock of

FANCY GOODS,

Willow & Wooden Ware,

BRUSHES AND TOYS,

COMMITTEE OF

French, German and Domestic Market Bas-

hets;

Travelling, School, Dinner, Fruit, and Work

Baskets;

Infants' Baskets, Cloth Baskets and Ham-

pers, and Fruit Baskets;

Fancy and Willow Children's Carriages, Go-

Carts and Cradles;

Baby Jumper, Nursery, Rocking and

Children's High Tail Chairs, Rock-

ing Horses and Propellers.

Fancy Vases and China Ornaments;

Ladies' Leather Reticules;

Portemonnies, Portefolios;

Pocket Companions and Photographic

Albums;

A large assortment of Beads, and all sorts of

Fascier, Dusters, Accordions, Walking

Canes;

Checkers and Crib Boards, Dice and Dice

Boxes;

Staple Brooms, Mops and Cloth Pounders.

AND A LARGE VARIETY OF

All Kinds of Toys!

Being in receipt of the most of these goods

from our own houses, and having no agent to pay,

I am therefore enabled to sell them at least 25 per

cent less than any other house in the Colony.

We do not know the cause, but the public

certainly pay more for these articles than we

do. We can assure you that they are

wholly manufactured in the United States.

They are made of the best materials, and

will be sold at a reasonable price.

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NOTICES

Notice of Removal.
ON SATURDAY DEC. 20TH THE
NEW COLONIST OFFICE will be
removed to the large brick building on Langley
street, immediately below Government office.
Persons who have business with us
will find us at the new address.

NOTICE.
ALL PARTIES HAVING ANY
claims against us will please present them
to JOHN COLEMAN, Solicitor,
111, Yates Street, Victoria, or to our
Agent, J. COOPER, 101, Yates Street, Victoria.

REMOVAL.

M. J. JOHN, COAL AND CO.,
have removed their business premises to
Victoria (between Government and Langley streets).

N. B.—The Office will remain open
as usual.

REMOVED—
TOWN LOT AND FARMING LANDS
FOR SALE AND TO LET.

LOANS & NEGOS. 1A E.D.

NOTICE to the Public.

PROFESSOR DAWK, CHIEF EXPERT and Practitioner of the Profession in
every Part, City Town and Village this side of
Capo Horn, will respectfully inform his Friends and
Countrymen that he has been called by the
Government of Chile to take charge of the
construction of the Canal.

Thomas P. Palmer.

Patrick's Building, Government
Wharf, Victoria, Robert Bishop, Solicitor.

Dated 21st December, 1864.

REMOVAL OF PARTNERSHIP.

THE PARTNERSHIP OF RIVERBERTO
existing between James Duncan and Robert
George, as Auctioneers and Commission Agents,
has this day been dissolved by mutual
consent, and the business is now carried on
by the former.

James Duncan.

Robert George.

Witness—W. S. BARNETT, Lawyer.

Mr. Wm. Culverwell is authorized to collect all
outstanding debts.

Victoria, 20th December, 1864.

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Copartnership Notice.

GORDON CROUCHMAN, has
partnered with DAVID & CO., Martineau, Victoria, V. I., as
a partner there.

DAVID & CO.

George Crofton is authorized to sign
the name of the firm.

J. DAVID

October 25th, 1864.

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W. S. BARNETT, Lawyer.

General Agents, New York.

MRS. HEIN,

GOVERNMENT STREET,

Has just received

A SPLENDID STOCK OF

Winter Bonnets and Hats
FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

—Also—

THE LATEST STYLES

MILLINERY GOODS.

Orders from the city or country promptly
attended to.

COAL & WOOD.

1000 to 1500 Tons per Month.

The Best Quality of

Nanaimo Screened Coal!

2240 lbs. to the Ton, \$11.

BEST OAK WOOD,

66 per cord.

Best Pine Wood!

66 per cord.

Delivered FREE OF CARTAGE to any
part of the city by

R. BRODRICK,

UNION WHARF.

Weight and Measurement Guaranteed.

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London and Lancashire

FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

(REGISTERED)

Capital One Million.

Offices 73 and 74 King William St., London

and Liverpool.

HENDERSON & BURNABY

MAINTAIN HIGH APPOINTED AGENTS
for the above Company, are prepared to have full
assurance of Fire Insurance, and to settle all claims with
utmost promptness.

John Hutchison & Co., Victoria, V. I.

Hutchinson & Co.,

Wholesale and Retail

BUTCHERS

And Dealers in

CATTLE,

SWINE, HOGS, AND VEGETABLES

Hotels, Restaurants, Pianos, and Shipping re-
paired at short notice.

CHIROPRACTIC—At the Queen's Market, War-
street, and branches in various parts of the city.

John L. BETTMANN,

Dealers in

Dry Goods, Clothing, Groceries, &c.

1000 REWARD.

I HEREBY OFFER A REWARD OF ONE
HUNDRED dollars to be paid by me to any
parties or parties who will give such information
as will enable me to apprehend the persons
who removed the last mark from my coat
at the corner of Smith's Grocery and Hawkin's
Hotel, Esquimalt, V. I., a single piece with
Gilt, Deane's Trunk, Adams' and other Re-
volvers.

Witness—John Copland,
Solicitor, Victoria.

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Fellows and Roscoe,

IRON AND HARDWARE DEALERS,

Have removed to the Store lately occupied by Mr.
John

Moore's Building, Yates Street,

Opposite Langley.

FOR CHARTER,

THE BRITISH BANK OF JOHN STEPHENSON, A. 10 years, No
1, Royal Victoria, Thomas Weston, Commander.

KELLY, KENDALL & BULWELL,

101, Yates Street, Victoria.

VICTORIA, V. I., 20 December, 1864.

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